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Honey Lake Safety Roadside Rest Area Project

REDDING – The California Department of Transportation announced the start of a \$2.75 million construction project reconstructing the Honey Lake Roadside Safety Rest Area approximately fifteen miles southwest of Susanville on State Route 395. The rest area will remain open during construction with occasional single day closures. A 30-day closure is anticipated in the spring of 2005 to facilitate demolition of the existing comfort station. Visitors to the rest area can expect some minor inconveniences such as noise and dust. Reconstruction of the rest area is anticipated to be complete by the fall of 2005.

Work will be conducted Monday through Friday during day-time hours and will include:

- Construction of a new comfort station building.
- Onsite drainage improvements.
- Construction of a new well and septic system.
- Replacement of existing walkways.
- Increase in available car and truck parking.
- Extensive landscaping and improved irrigation system.
- Americans with Disabilities Act upgrades to include upgraded curb ramps, graded paths for ease
 of wheelchair use and accessible picnic tables.

The original rest area was constructed in the 1960's. The new comfort station will be larger then the existing building and will be upgraded to meet current ADA and building code standards. The new building site offers improved views of Honey Lake along with a staging office that can be used by emergency services if needed.

D.H. Williams Construction, Inc. is the contractor and Dave Greene is the Resident Engineer for Caltrans. For more information call (530) 257-8120.

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